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OPPORTUNITIES FOR EXTENSION STUDY  
in  
Washington, D. C.

Extension workers who are planning study programs for their Sabbatic or other leaves often write the Federal Extension Office for information as to the opportunities available in Washington, D. C. This description of the situation may be helpful in choosing among the alternatives available in other places.

Formal Graduate Study

Graduate degrees can be earned at a number of the local universities, such as American University, Georgetown, George Washington, and the University of Maryland. Courses offered cover a wide range, but are often considered in terms of majors in public administration, mass communications, international affairs, education, and human development. When combined into a study of government and participation in Federal Extension activities, 10 to 12 months are needed to achieve a master's by a qualified college graduate. All schools are on the semester basis.

Often times visitors register for selected courses, either at one of the colleges or in the USDA Graduate School. This latter offers some special 2 to 3 hour credit courses in 4-H problems, program development, extension teaching methods, and evaluation. The USDA Graduate School does not grant degrees but credits earned there in most cases can be transferred to other universities.

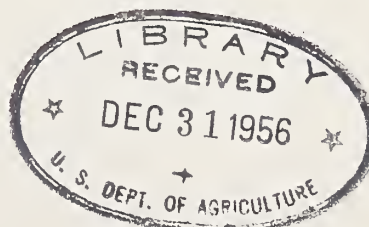
Informal Study

Adjacent to USDA's variety of activities are the Archives Building, the Library of Congress, the Agricultural Research Center at Beltsville, and the headquarters of many national associations. Those wishing to attack some special problem in the fields of extension, general education, organization, or subject matter will find a wealth of information and a large number of well-trained, cooperative employees. All of extension's State and county reports are available for analysis.

Facilities

The Federal Extension Office can provide a desk for a visiting worker, and is glad to make the visitor an informal, unpaid member of the Federal staff. Federal workers enjoy and profit from this working relationship.

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Apartments are now available in all parts of the Metropolitan area. The rent for furnished 1 room apartments usually starts around \$100. A single room will cost from \$30 to \$40. Living costs are, in general, comparable with other areas.

Public transportation is available to all areas, though a car is most helpful in bringing closer all the historic spots and buildings from New York City to Williamsburg, Virginia.

#### Further Information

Complete information regarding leave policies and available scholarships from all sources can be obtained through the respective State extension offices. If the decision is made to spend some study leave at the Federal Office, please make arrangements ahead of time with the Chief of the Personnel Training Branch, Federal Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.





